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Subcontractors interested in participating on contracts are required to register with the Department. Prequalified contractors, material suppliers and trucking companies are **NOT** required to register. Subcontractors can register electronically at the Department's web site, http://www.dot.il.gov/. At the home page click on "Doing Business". The subcontractor registration form is listed under Contractor Services. The registration form requires minimal information and can be completed in minutes. Confirmation, along with a registration number, will be received by e-mail in 1-2 days. Registration is valid for one year and will then require renewal. Questions may be addressed to the Prequalification Section, Bureau of Construction.

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Special Notice Regarding IDOT Proposals, Authorization To Bid & Requests For Plans & Proposals

ABOUT IDOT PROPOSALS

All Proposals issued by IDOT are potential bidding proposals. Each proposal contains all Certifications and Affidavits, a proposal signature sheet and a Propsal Bid Bond required for Prime Contractors submit a bid after written AUTHORIZATION TO BID has been issued by IDOT. A Proposal Bid Bond and Authorization To Bid are not required on items designated as Small Business Set-Aside.

ABOUT AUTHORIZATION TO BID (Not required for Small Business Set-Asides)

WHO CAN BID? Bids will be accepted from only those companies that **request and receive** written **Authorization to Bid** from IDOT. To request authorization, a potential bidder <u>must complete and submit Part B of the Request for Authorization to Bid/or Not For Bid Status for (BDE 124INT).</u>

WHAT CONSTITUTES AUTHORIZATION TO BID? When a prospective prime bidder submits a "Request for Proposal Forms and Plans" he/she must indicate at that time which items are being requested for bidding purposes. Only those items requested For Bidding will be analyzed. After the request has been analyzed, the bidder will be issue a Proposal Denial and/or Authorization Form that indicates which items have been approved for Bidding. If Authorization to Bid cannot be approved, the Proposal Denial and/or Authorization Form will indicate the reason for denial.

FIRMS UNSURE AS TO AUTHOIZATION STATUS? Firms that have not received an authorization form within a reasonable time of complete and correct original document submittal should contact the department as to status. This is critical in the week before the letting. These documents must be received by three days before the letting date. Firms unsure as to authorization status should call the Prequalification Section of the Bureau of Construction at 217/785-7927.

ABOUT REQUESTS FOR PLANS & PROPOSALS

The request form used for ordering plans and proposals, form BDE 124INT (Revised 6/2005), has been designed to provide better communication between requesters and IDOT personnel who are responsible for processing plan and proposal orders. If requesters follow the instructions printed on the reverse side of the form, it will help save time, eliminate errors and expedite the processing of requests.

Requests for plans and proposals will not be honored unless submitted on the proper form, a copy of which is included in this issue of the Transportation Bulletin.

NOTICE

NO AUTHORIZATION TO BID WILL BE ISSUED UNTIL A **COMPLETED PART B OF FORM BDE 124INT** AND THE **ORIGINAL** AFFIDAVIT OF AVAILABILITY HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE CENTRAL BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION. FOR SMALL BUSINESS SET-ASIDES, THE AFFIDAVIT OF AVAILABILITY IS NOT REQUIRED.

SPECIAL NOTICE

NEW PAYROLL REQUIREMENT

Public Act 094-0515 amended the Prevailing Wage Act by changing Section 5.

Contractors and subcontractors participating on public works are required to submit certified payrolls for all projects. Certified payrolls have long been required on Federal-aid projects; they are now required on state funded projects as well.

The information required by this Public Act is similar to what is required on Federal projects; however, there are some differences. Some of the additional information required is the starting and ending times of work each day, telephone number of the employee if available and that the contractor or subcontractor is aware that filing a certified payroll that he or she knows to be false is a Class B misdemeanor.

The Department is revising its specifications and the current forms for certified payrolls so that the forms will be the same for both Federal and state funded projects.

Firms are strongly encouraged to review Public Act 094-0515 to ensure compliance.

This requirement is in effect for the Special Letting of August 26, 2005 and all subsequent Lettings.

If you have any questions, please contact Jim Duncan at 217-782-7806.